

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

August 18, 1975

Mrs. John C. Nadler  
P. O. Box 211  
Glenville Station  
Greenwich, CT 06830

Dear Mrs. Nadler:

When I met you at the Gardiners I was very pleased with the fact that you do not cut up Leslie & Harpers if they are complete. You must, however, know a number of people who do cut them up or who have broken numbers.

I formerly had in my own collection and gave away a few items which I would like very much to replace. They are as follows:

Leslie's 11/15/73 illustrated article on the U.S. Mint;

Leslie's 4/13/76, pages 96/97 and the text on 93 Washing Ore in Virginia City;

Leslie's 4/20/76, page 109 Melting and Casting.

If you have any suggestions as to whom to write or if you want to write on my behalf, I would be appreciative.

Best wishes to you and your husband.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:jah

MRS. JOHN C. NADLER

(203) 531-1902

*Bookseller*

P. O. BOX 211 GLENVILLE STATION  
GREENWICH, CONN. 06830

September 10, 1975

Dear Mr. Newman,

Thank you for your recent  
letter regarding certain issues of  
Leslie's Weeklies

I have made inquiries to  
several dealers but without  
any success. However, it is  
possible - I may come upon those  
specific issues and I will con-  
tact you should this happen.

I hope Mrs. Newman's shop  
is a success and that the  
opening was on schedule.

If I can be of any further  
help, please do not hesitate  
to contact me.

Sincerely,  
Judith Radin

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

*6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri*

September 18, 1975

Mrs. John C. Nadler  
P. O. Box 211, Glenville Station  
Greenwich, Connecticut 06830

Dear Mrs. Nadler:

Thank you for your answer to my inquiry. Please put down on my want list Leslie, September 5, 1863, page 384 and text on page 386, Leslie, June 5, 1889, page 189/190.

Do you know anyone who cuts up Leslie & Harpers with whom you could put me in contact?

Thank you again for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

EPN:jah

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*Greenwich, Conn. 06830*

*(203) 531-1902*

November 1, 1975

Eric F. Bowman Jurisprudence Education Society  
4450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri

Att: Mr. Eric Bowman

Dear Mr. Bowman:

Re your letter dated September 18th, the article from the September 8th, 1964 issue is now available should you still care to order same. The cost for the two pages is five dollars.

I also call your attention to an article appearing in Scientific American, October 1st and 8th, 1964. It is authored by Mr. Weston of the Royal Mint.

I do hope Mr. Patrick was helpful in obtaining the items you were searching for.

Very truly yours,

*Judith Nadler*  
Mrs. John C. Nadler

11<sup>11</sup>/~~12~~75

Mrs John C Nadler —

Thanks so much for the Leslie's <sup>p 384 + 386</sup> Sept 5, 1863  
Enclosed is a check for \$5 as you requested.  
Your letter says 1864 but be sure it is  
1863.

I have Scientific American so I'll  
look up your reference. I think it is going  
to be Sir Isaac Newton's report on the  
English Mint made in the early eighteenth  
century.

Nothing from Mr. Patrick yet.  
Thank you for your help

Sincerely

Eric P. Newman  
P. O Box 14020  
St Louis Mo 63178

MRS. JOHN C. NADLER  
P. O. Box 211  
Glenville Station  
Greenwich, Conn. 06830

November 15, 1975

Eric P. Newman  
P.O.Box 14020  
St. Louis. Mo. 63178

Leslie's Magazine, 1863, pps. 384 & 386

\$ 5.00

Paid. Thank you for your order.

July 7, 1960

Mr. Charles Nagel  
City Art Museum  
Forest Park  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Charles:

For the screen which the Art Museum wishes to construct, I have sent over five coins containing a nice representation of a pig, a bird, a pyramid, an Aztec headdress and a Pegasus. These could be plated to match the color of the screen, after installation, or not, as you see fit.

There are many other beautiful designs on coins, as you know, for decorative purposes, although I think it would be a crime to ruin any fine coins for the purpose.

If there is any further help we can give you, please do not hesitate to ask.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
EDUCATION SOCIETY

By Eric P. Newman, President

EPN/atb



Subj: Your elixir  
 Date: 10/31/2001 12:38:11 PM Central Standard Time  
 From: EricNumis  
 To: [nagetk@bright.net](mailto:nagetk@bright.net)

Bern: Your cleaner arrived and I thank you for your cooperation. I am glad it is nonflammable. I will be delayed in my testing until I assemble some other solutions and get my chemistry professor friend to give me his time. My wife found a combustible product called GOO GONE which apparently removes gum and tape from carpets, upholstery, etc. The item I am concerned about has a pink paper wrapper and natural paper interior so I have that color problem too. I want to be an advance subscriber to your new book on nickels but first want to have my library searched to see if I have your earlier nickel book (or are there other writings). I will send you a check as soon as I find out what I have already. Thank you again for your helpfulness. Eric

## Bernard Nagengast

From: "Bernard Nagengast"  
To: <EricNumis@aol.com>  
Sent: Tuesday, October 23, 2001 1:58 PM  
Subject: Re: Your product KOINSOLV TM

Eric, I will send some KOINSOLV to you 'in the interests of Science' so your university friend can experiment with it to see if it is the magic vanishing agent you all seek.

My background is engineering, so I know only a little chemistry. Kointainer's founder Dr. Francis Epps, who was president and long time secretary of the Central States Numismatic Society, was the original advocate of using solvents to remove contaminants from coins to enhance their preservation. He used benzine, unaware of what we know now about the danger of its use (kind of like 19th. century numismatists using cyanide!) When I took over the company in 1978, I searched for a safer alternative and began marketing a chlorofluorocarbon solvent we called DISSOLVE. When the CFC compounds were banned I searched for an alternative that would be both effective and safe, and after some time spent evaluating various substances, came up with KOINSOLV which is a blend of solvents. It would be nice if it turns out to be what you are looking for.

I have not really delved into the area of tape and gum removal from documents, and I do not know if 3-M has done anything. If they did, they may not admit to it, given the present day fear of litigation.

I'll say 'hi' to Margo if I run into her.

This is off our subject, but you might be interested to know that the first real numismatic book I read after I started coin collecting was "The Fantastic 1804 Dollar" that I requested as a Christmas present in 1965!

Bern Nagengast

----- Original Message -----

From: EricNumis@aol.com  
To: nagetk@bright.net  
Sent: Monday, October 22, 2001 3:02 PM  
Subject: Re: Your product KOINSOLV TM

Bern Nagengast: Thank you for your prompt answer. As you realize there is an enormous market for a product which will remove Scotch tape from old printed books, pamphlets and paper money as well as printed or handwritten documents. If you could find a solution (pun intended) you would have an enormous sales potential. Once the tape is removed a second or other solvent could be applied to the remaining gum which causes the stain. Perhaps water or some other mixture could be applied along the way which would not affect printed text or various kinds of old ink and would enable the next solvent to work better. I asked a restorer at the Washington University here how she took Scotch tape off and she said that applying a small amount of heat will make the tape removable but that the gum remains. I am sure you know my friend Margo Russell of Sidney. If you want to send me a sample of your product I will turn it over to Washington University here and ask a chemistry professor friend to experiment with it as well as the paper restorer person. This problem must have been worked on by others and there must be written reports. Have you a chemical background? Did you develop the coin cleaner? Has anyone asked Minnesota Mining or any tape producer about the problem? My mailing address is 6450 Cecil Ave, St. Louis, MO 63105. Eric P. Newman

## E&T KOINTAINER CO.

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Sincerely,

Bernard Nagengast  
President

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NEWS RELEASE      from E&T Kointainer Co.   POB 103   Sidney OH 45365

Contact: Bernard Nagengast  
937-394-4812

### Jefferson Nickel Book to be published

Jefferson nickel expert Bernard Nagengast is revising, updating and expanding "The Jefferson Nickel Analyst," originally published in 1979. Nagengast searched through hundreds of thousands of mint state and proof nickels over a period of 20 years to acquire comprehensive knowledge about Jefferson Nickels, and is considered by many to be the leading expert on the series.

The new edition, to be published in early 2002, will feature discussions of the characteristics of Jefferson Nickels as they vary by date and mint that will include surfaces, strike, luster, and color. Design changes will be covered, as well as rarity of individual issues in mint state and with 5 and 6 full steps. Availability of BU rolls is analyzed. Also featured is a date by date analysis for all issues from 1938-2001. Proofs and prooflike BU coins are covered and the book will contain numerous illustrations, including photos of major varieties.

The Jefferson Nickel Analyst will cost \$25.00 when published, but advance orders at a discounted price of \$20.00 (plus \$4.00 postage) are being accepted by the publisher, E&T Kointainer Co. Orders may be mailed to PO Box 103, Sidney, OH 45365. Credit card orders may be faxed to 937-394-4821 or called in to 937-394-4812 between 9:30 and 4 PM, EST. All advance orders will be given priority delivery as soon as the book is available, and will be serial numbered and autographed by the author.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

5/26/88

C + S. Najarian

852 Halmar Rd  
Newtown Square, PA 19073

Just a reminder for you to  
send me some St Louis or other  
midwestern stereos as you said  
when in St Louis.

Of course any other St Louis sheet  
music or money sheet music is  
welcome on approval at any time -  
Our best

Eric P. Newman

Federal Records Center  
January 26, 1996  
111 Winnebago St.  
St. Louis, MO 63118

Dear Archivist:

Please be kind enough to furnish all information in your records concerning "Steven K. Nagy" We believe he worked for the U.S. Mint in Philadelphia in the 1900-1915 period. He was born approximately 1886.

Thank you for your service.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

Rick Nahm  
October 5, 1998  
Colonial Williamsburg Foundation  
Williamsburg, VA 29187

Dear Mr. Nahm:

Thank you for your September 29, 1998 letter and prior communications.

My friend, Joseph Lasser, has also communicated to me your goal of creating a center for the study of American monetary history. I have explained that I need further time to see what develops elsewhere. The American Numismatic Society on whose Council I have served for 40 years has just purchased a new building at 140 William St., New York City after years of search. I want to see how that development may tie into our future. I will continue to review your thoughts and realize how important your goals are.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman

"MAYFIELD", 103 KIRBY ROAD, WALTON-ON-NAZE, ESSEX, ENGLAND.

28th May, 1970.

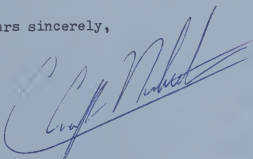
Mr. E.P. Newman,  
6450 Cecil Avenue,  
St. Louis,  
Missouri 63116,  
U.S.A.

Dear Mr. Newman,

I am writing to you in the hope that you can help me.

I am interested in stocking up with good quality books on paper money and having seen your excellent work on early paper money of the United States, wondered if you have written any other works on paper money? At the same time I am interested in obtaining a wholesale stock of Colonial paper money, that is to say the more common types of paper money and indeed any broken banknotes, etc. I wondered if you could assist me in this or put me in touch with a source of supply.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Colin Narbeth', written over a horizontal line.

Colin Narbeth.



June 2, 1970

Mr. Colin Narbeth  
Mayfield  
103 Kirby Road  
Walton-On-Naze,  
Essex, England

Dear Mr. Narbeth:

Thank you for your very kind letter of 28 May, 1970. I was already familiar with your development of IBNS and with some of the articles you have published.

As to your request with respect to books on paper money, I can advise you that I have only written one book on that subject, namely, EARLY PAPER MONEY OF AMERICA. All of my other writings on paper money have been published in numismatic magazines. If you are interested in additional copies of EARLY PAPER MONEY OF AMERICA, I suggest you write to Whitman Publishing Company, 1220 Mound Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin, 53404, where, if you qualify as a dealer, you will get their wholesale price.

With respect to obtaining a wholesale stock of American Colonial paper money, I would have to ask you whether this is for you or for someone else. Are you a dealer, or are you becoming one? I am pretty well acquainted with people who have this material but, in view of the Bicentennial of Independence, there is substantial interest in accumulation taking place already. I, personally, have a large quantity of duplicates but avoid any selling transactions. Naturally, I trade for things which I need.

There is available, here, some sheets of broken bank notes of Western Fire and Marine Insurance Company two-color, beautifully engraved with Indian scenes, consisting of a \$1, \$2, \$3 and \$5. Their price is \$12.50 per sheet, uncirculated.

If you can guide me further as to what goal you have in mind, it will be a pleasure to help you.

Cordially yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

"MAYFIELD", 103 KIRBY ROAD, WALTON-ON-NAZE, ESSEX, ENGLAND.

8th June, 1970.

Mr. E.P. Newman,  
P.O. Box 14020,  
St. Louis,  
Missouri 63178,  
U.S.A.

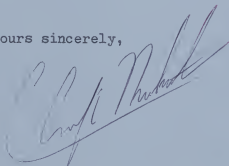
Dear Mr. Newman,

Many thanks for your letter.

The answer to your questions is that I do intend becoming a dealer and it's for this purpose that I wish to acquire a wholesale stock of early Colonial paper money and broken bank notes. I should be delighted for any assistance you can give me. At the moment I have several copies of early paper money of America but hope to be ordering more from you when I have started pushing them and the hobby generally.

Best regards,

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Colin Narbeth', written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Colin Narbeth.

STANLEY GIBBONS CURRENCY LIMITED  
Drury House Russell Street London WC2B 5HD

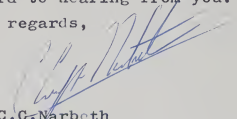
Tel: 01-836 9707

Aug.30. 1972

Dear Mr. Newman,

I am planning a trip to the United States in October and am writing to see whether I could call upon you. As well as general buying I am interested in purchasing some of the early colonial notes of the scarcer types. If you are able to see me could you give me an idea of how many pieces of money you could offer me. I particularly would like Paul Revere notes and pre-war of Independence. I have virtually none of these in stock and think it about time I got a representative stock. Will look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,



C.C. Narbeth  
Managing Director

5 September, 1972

Mr. C. C. Narbeth  
Stanley Gibbons Currency Limited  
Drury House  
Russell Street  
London WC 2B 5 HD  
England

Dear Mr. Narbeth:

Thank you for your note of 30 August, 1972.

I, personally, have a substantial number of duplicates of early American paper money but do not sell any numismatic items as a matter of principle. I do exchange items in order to acquire new items. This principle is generally followed by this society as well.

Although I will be glad to see you, you cannot rely on an outright purchase of items.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN  
P. O. Box 14020  
St. Louis, Missouri 63178  
U. S. A.

bc  
Mrs. Adolph Hill

May 10, 1955

Mr. G. M. Narborough  
7(a) Bracondale  
Norwich, Norfolk  
England

Dear Mr. Narborough:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter postmarked April 23 indicating that your Missouri Defence Bonds are signed. I have specimens in my own collection which are similarly signed.

These notes were authorized by the Confederate Legislature of Missouri in November, 1861, at Neosho, Missouri, after the Confederate group had been expelled from Jefferson City, the capitol of Missouri, by the Union Army. The Confederate group was completely out of power at the time these notes were delivered and none were issued.

These notes were sold as waste paper and many people signed them for amusement as well as printed advertisements on their backs.

I don't blame you at all for following up the information which I originally gave your correspondent bank and I am sorry that you did not discover something of major importance.

Sincerely yours,

EFN/atb

7(a) Bracondale

Norwich

Norfolk.

England.

Dear Sir.

Lloyds Bank have given me a copy  
of your letter in the matter of the Missouri  
Defence Bonds. I am wondering if, after  
all, these are unique as contrary to your  
statement they are signed. They are signed  
in ink which has not faded in the course  
of nearly 100 years. The 50 dollar bill  
by "H. CHANDLER" governor of the state of  
Missouri & by O.H. MASON. The 3 dollar bill  
by two different Masons one the O.H. MASON  
of the 50 dollar Bill the other I cannot  
decipher his Christian name but who signs  
as State Treasurer. Would it be too much  
trouble to let me have your opinion on

There again now that you have this further  
information. I am a Surveyor working  
for the Air Ministry and your base at  
Sculthorpe in Norfolk is the interest  
of one of your U.S.A.F. sergeants in these words  
that he happened to see in my wallet when  
I was searching for my pass to the base  
that started the whole thing. I should be  
extremely obliged if you could give me a  
further opinion at your leisure

Yours Sincerely

G. M. Narborough

(G. M. NARBOROUGH)

Enc. P. Newman Esq.

NÁRODNÍ MUZEUM V PRAZE  
VÁCLAVSKÉ NÁMĚSTÍ 1700 - PRAHA 1

August 20, 1971.

Mr. Eric P. Lewman  
5450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri 63105  
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U S A

Dear Mr. Lewman,

I turn to you with this letter on recommendation of  
Mrs. M. Thompson.

On the occasion of the next International Numismatic  
Congress in USA in the year 1973 a critical bibliography of num-  
ismatic research will be published. I was suggested by Mrs. M.  
Thompson, the Chief Editor of the prepared publication to serve  
as general editor of the section devoted to Modern Numismatics  
(i.e. after 1900 A.D.).

My chief concern at the moment is finding contribu-  
tors from various countries. I am writing to ask if you would be  
willing to prepare a critical bibliography of numismatics  
of USA and Canada. The article should cover material published  
between January 1, 1966 and December 31, 1971.

As soon as I receive your answer, I shall send you  
particular information and a special Guide for Contributors. The  
final version of the contribution should be forwarded to me in  
March 1972, so that I could read it over and send the biblio-  
graphy of the whole section of Modern Numismatics in New York by  
June 1972.

Yours very truly

*Eubonia Kunešová*  
(Mgr. Lukášová) (41)



NÁRODNÍ MUZEUM V PRAZE  
VÁCLAVSKÉ NÁMĚSTÍ 1700 - PRAHA 1

September 20, 1971.

Mr. Eric P. Newman

6450 Cecil Avenue

St. Louis, Missouri 63105

U S A

Dear Mr. Newman,

As the chief editor of one rection of the bibliography prepared for the International Numismatic Congress in USA in the year 1973 turned I to you on August 20 with a demand concerning your collaboration. Because I miss your answer, I am sending you a copy of my letter.

I am looking forward to your favorable response and remain.

Sincerelly yours

*Lubomír Nemeškal*  
(Dr. Lubomír Nemeškal)

23 September, 1971

Professor Dr. Lubomir Nem eskal  
Narodni Muzeum V Praze  
Vaclavske Namesti 1700 - Praha 1  
(Prague, Czechoslovakia)

Dear Dr. Nem eskal:

Your request that I prepare the critical bibliography of the modern numismatics of U.S.A. and Canada for the five years just ending, was appreciated.

Ordinarily I would be pleased to do this work but since I did it for the 1967 Congress I thought that someone else should be given the opportunity to do it.

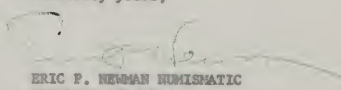
I took the liberty to ask Mr. Maurice M. Gould, P. O. Box 1500, Tustin, California, 92680, U. S. A., to do the work and he agreed to do it in conjunction with Mr. Jim Betton. I sincerely hope that this transfer of responsibility is not objectionable to you.

Will you be nice enough to send more particular information to Mr. Gould as a guide for his work.

I look forward to seeing you at the Congress and believe we met in Copenhagen and, several years before, in Prague.

Please give my best wishes to Jarmilla.

Sincerely yours,



ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
EDUCATION SOCIETY

EPN/atb

bc:  
Miss Margaret Thompson  
American Numismatic Society

Mr. Maurice Gould

# *Svenska Handelsbanken*

TEL.-ADR.:  
HANDELSBANK



Stockholm, September 22, 1967

Mr H Newman  
P.B. 14020

Saint Louis 63178 Miss.  
USA

Dear Mr Newman,

Referring to our pleasant meeting in Copenhagen a month ago I would like to ask you as follows.

Could you give me some indication as to the value of a bank note, £ 3, issued in Charleston in May 1786, signed by two gentlemen called Jones and Portell and produced by Abernethie. I have been asked to sell it to America and I have no idea as to its variety though I know that it is very rare.

Best regards,

Yours very sincerely,

Ernst Nathorst-Böös

September 29, 1967

Mr. Ernst Nathorst-Boos  
Svenska Handelsbanken  
Stockholm, Sweden

Dear Mr. Boos:

It was very pleasant meeting you in  
Copenhagen.

The \$3 South Carolina Loan Office issue  
of May, 1786 is illustrated in the book I wrote  
entitled "EARLY PAPER MONEY OF AMERICA". It is  
unpriced in the book.

I know of about ten pieces of this denom-  
ination of this issue. I do not know of any sale  
of the item except that I acquired my own speci-  
men as part of a collection. There is no ascertain-  
able value. My guess is that, at auction, it would  
bring between \$100 and \$200.

There are quantities of equally rare pieces  
of early American paper money and, for that reason,  
these items do not bring a price related to their  
rarity. What a dealer would ask, if he had one  
for sale, I have no idea.

My kindest regards.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman  
P.O.Box 14020  
St.Louis, Mo. 63178  
U.S.A.

EPN/atb



AMERICAN ANTIQUARIAN SOCIETY

185 Salisbury Street, Worcester, Massachusetts 01609 U.S.A.

January 13, 1983

Dear Ms. Nation:

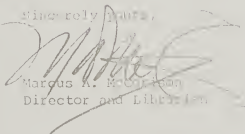
I have your note concerning the valuation of some paper currency. Unfortunately, the Society lacks the information you need but one of our members, Eric P. Newman of St. Louis is the leading authority on American paper money. His address is:

400 Washington Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63102

Perhaps, if you drop him a note he can be of assistance to you.

I am returning the copies of the currency so that you can send it to him. I hope that this will be of help to you.

Sincerely yours,



Marcus A. McQuinn  
Director and Librarian

Ms. Maggie Nation  
Adult Services Librarian  
Flagstaff City - Coconino County Public Library  
11 West Choery Avenue  
Flagstaff, Arizona 86001

M:A

Enclosure



FLAGSTAFF CITY - COCONINO COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

11 West Cherry Ave.

Flagstaff, Arizona 86001

January 17, 1983

Eric P. Newman  
400 Washington Street  
St. Louis, Missouri 63102

Dear Mr. Newman:

I was referred to you  
by Marcus A. McCorison of  
the American Antiquarian  
Society.

I am hoping that you  
will be kind enough to  
assist our library in securing  
information about and current  
valuation of the Bank  
notes for which I have  
enclosed copies.

Sincerely,

Maggie Nation  
Adult Services Libn.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

*6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105*

January 21, 1983

Ms. Maggie Nations  
Coconino County Public Library  
11 West Cherry Ave.  
Flagstaff, AZ 86001

Dear Ms. Nations:

The Bank of United States \$1,000 note which you have is a souvenir and not a genuine note. It is on yellowish parchment paper.

From the photocopies you furnished, I cannot tell whether your Texas notes are souvenirs or not. If they are on thin white bond paper and signed in ink, they are genuine. If they are on the same paper as the Bank of United States Note, they are merely souvenirs. If genuine, the Texas notes will be in the range of \$10 to \$20 each.

We hope we have been helpful.

Sincerely,

Eric P. Newman

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The Bank of United States

Received of J. W. Tamm  
 the sum of One Thousand Dollars  
 in New York, Philadelphia, &c. - \$1,000  
 at once, and for the use of the  
 Library of the University of the State of New York

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
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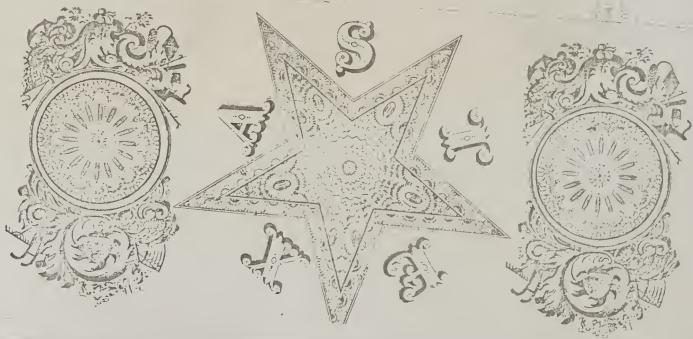
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December 12, 1960

Mr. James B. Rhoads, Archivist  
General Services Administration  
National Archives and Record Service  
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Rhoads:

Thank you for your letter of December 8, 1960  
referring to my letter of November 23, 1960.

In accordance with your suggestion there is  
enclosed herewith a check in the sum of \$14.40  
for the microprints of the documents listed in  
your letter.

I am very grateful to have these available and  
look forward to receiving the same.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
EDUCATION SOCIETY

By

Eric P. Newman, President

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

November 9, 1971

Civil Archives Division  
National Archives and Records Service  
General Services Administration  
Washington, D. C. 20408

Gentlemen:

Please be kind enough to send me a copy of

Preliminary Inventories of the Records of the United  
States Secret Service (Record Group 87) compiled  
by Holverstott and Holdcamper in May, 1965.

I understand this will be sent without charge.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
EDUCATION SOCIETY

EPN/atb

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

April 9, 1991

General Services Administration  
National Archives and Records Service  
9th & E Streets, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20408

Dear Sir/Madam:

We would like to obtain the price for copies of the Application Files for the patents on the attached list from Record Group 241. We are not certain as to whether there are Application Files in each or any of them but merely would like to see to what extent they exist so that we can order them.

You have always been very cooperative and helpful in our past orders for archival information, and we thank you for your continuing service.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eric P. Newman", is written over a light blue rectangular stamp.

Eric P. Newman

EPN:bv

bc: A. George Mallis

H. G. Robinson	Pat. #9844	7/12/1853
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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

May 4, 1982

National Collectors Laboratories  
P. O. Box 781  
RadionCity Station  
New York, NY 10101

Attention: Mr. Pedro Collazo-Oliver

Dear Mr. Collazo-Oliver:

In our library we have a very extensive group of literature on counterfeiting and forgery, much of which has been donated to us. I personally am an authenticator of ANACS and for INS and we will be glad to help you in the event there are items which we can be helpful with. Most of the forgery investigation we do involves early American pieces, both coins and paper money.

We would appreciate it if you will send us copies of your reports as they are issued and wish you success in this very necessary type of work.

Sincerely yours,

Eric P. Newman

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# NATIONAL COLLECTORS LABORATORIES

P. O. Box 781 · Radio City Station · New York, New York 10101 · (212) 846-2917

May 9, 1982

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, MO. 63105

Dear Mr. Newman:

Thank you for your good wishes. Enclosed please find a sample of each Counterfeit Analysis Report (US/World) received from the printer as of today. As you will notice, these are the most informative and comprehensible of the similar publications available. They are designed to be easily applied when comparing specimens, as well as, clear in their descriptions of the characteristics of the counterfeit coins covered.

I worked with the ANA 3 and 1/2 years, most of this time as an ANACS authenticator. During this time, I became aware of the high regard and respect in which you are held based on your numismatic knowledge, and hope to someday meet you personally.

If you can, in any way, help promote these reports, it would be immensely appreciated. This is a project which has been developed entirely on my own, so you can appreciate the various limitations that must be overcome.

Thanks again for your interest.

Sincerely,

PEDRO COLLAZO-CLIVER

PCO/p  
Encls.

NATIONAL FLAG FOUNDATION  
Flag Plaza  
PITTSBURGH, PA 15219

(412) 261-1776

Memo  
LETTER

Date

Jan. 25, 1993

Subject

To

Eric R. Newman.

Dear Mr. Newman —

Some news from you —

I hope all is well with you and all you love,

Have good 83 —

I hope you were pleased with "The Connection":  
in final form.

Want to be printed in Pennsylvania Inq. —  
Then in long version in the Cosmopolitan. — ?? —

Best regards.

SALUTE

SIGNED

Reg.

☐ Please reply

☐ No reply necessary



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Vol. XVII, No. 1

Consecutive Issue No. 94

January 1/5, 1983

A new year! - a new volume! - a new issue! Welcome to Volume XVII, No. 1 - the 94th consecutive issue of P-W. It's a big issue, filled with all sorts of goodies!

The issue starts off with Denis Loring listing for you all the large cents which have been discovered in recent years. Next, George Ewing offers you a very complete discussion of the 1868 large cent. George did a lot of research to

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## NOVA CONSTELLATIO AND THE AMERICAN FLAG

Recently received from EACer George F. Cahill was a copy of a paper presented by Charles L. Sewall, President of Robert Morris College, before the 16th annual meeting of the North American Vexillological Association on October 9, 1982 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The paper pointed out a relationship which exists between our first American flag and the Nova Constellatio coppers. Frances Hopkinson, a Philadelphia lawyer and one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, is credited with contributing much of the designs for both items.

Sewall's presentation and related information, printed on both sides of an 8 1/2 x 11 page, is being distributed by the National Flag Foundation, of which EACer George Cahill is president. You may obtain a copy for \$1. by writing to the National Flag Foundation, Flag Plaza, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15219. Ask for "The First Official U.S. Coins: The Flag Connection", published in the 3rd special edition of the Flag Plaza Standard.

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National Numismatic Collection

*Envelope dated  
6/9/92  
one year after the  
centennial date*

Dear Numismatic Friend,

This is an announcement and an invitation to an exhibit which has opened in the hall of the National Numismatic Collection (NNC) of the Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of American History. Its title is "Coins - Documents of the Past - A Celebration of the Centennial of the American Numismatic Association."

While the exhibit commemorates the American Numismatic Association and its long years of service to the numismatic fraternity, it is also dedicated to the many numismatic friends and colleagues who have given us their kind support over the years. Above all, the exhibit is there to celebrate numismatics - our eternal passion and folly which has guided us through history and art and many other interesting endeavors, and which has given our lives enjoyment and added new dimension.

For me, getting to work on this exhibit was indeed a most valuable sentimental journey. My goal was to depict the breadth and depth of numismatics to non-numismatists, as well as to show the hard work and fun which collectors and researchers can have. I have to confess that it was a serious challenge. In my thirty plus years at the Smithsonian, I have produced more than thirty exhibits, but none was as difficult as this one. While most of the past exhibits have dealt with objects, this exhibit depicts the evolution of an organization and a hobby and the multifaceted activities of both. My main challenge was, how to transform a narrative into a graphically vivid expose. In the course of its preparation, I had many moments of doubt and despair as to how best to convey to the general visitor the fascination which coins can have, and the importance of numismatics in education. We have over 380 labels, which are balanced out with only 173 pictures and with a sprinkling of only 41 real objects.

The second, and even more challenging hurdle, was the lack of financial support. Funds and time are two commodities with which we have not been generously blessed, and therefore, improvisation was our only means of producing exhibits. Within the past ten years the result of our work has been a series of eight shows, the majority of which have been traveling exhibits. In this exhibit, everything, from the conception to the last phase of the production has been done in-house under my direction. Of course, we benefited from the technical progress of our times, using desk-top printing and photocopying.

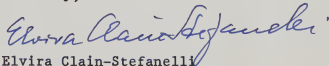
I am particularly proud to announce that we succeeded in mounting this exhibit with a budget which did not even reach five hundred dollars. In exact figures, we spent only \$316.00 for materials. Of course, the balance is much heavier when considering the sacrifice of time and physical effort. Without the strong support of some staff members I would not have succeeded.

I am therefore, deeply indebted to three members of our staff: Mr. Douglas Mudd, Collection Manager in the NNC; Cathy Keen, also Collection Manager; and Yvonne Powell, the NNC's Secretary. Mr. Mudd produced the majority of the labels with the desk-top printer, Ms. Keen proofread the labels and helped Mr. Mudd with the typing. Both worked very hard when it came to installing the panels in the Coin Hall. Ms. Powell untiringly cut and mounted hundreds of labels. Her help was invaluable. My gratitude also goes to Mrs. Mary Dyer, Internship and Fellowship Coordinator, who gave us the use of her desk-top publishing system without which we could not have produced the exhibit. As always, Mr. Ed Robinson, Lighting Engineer/Designer, arranged the lighting of the exhibit panels, a very important element in the enhancement of any show. A special thanks goes to Mr. Robert W. Hoge, Curator of the ANA Collections, and to the administration of the ANA, as well as to Mr. Harvey Stack and his assistant, Mr. Carl Carlson, of the Stack coin firm in New York, for their loan of important items for the exhibit.

All in all, it has been a work of love, done with the determination to succeed against all odds. It seems almost unreal to me that the exhibition is indeed standing. We did not have an official opening, no ribbon or cake cutting. We could not afford them and we were too tired to enjoy them. Now, thousands and tens of thousands of school children as well as tourists will wander through the Numismatics Hall. We hope that some of them will go home with an enriched vocabulary, adding at least the word "numismatics" to it. They might also learn that coins are not only to be spent but also to be studied and enjoyed. Like the seeds which germinate each year from among the billions and trillions which fall in the wind, some youngsters and possibly some adults might look with a renewed interest at those "old" coins.

We hope to see you on the third floor of the National Museum of American History.

Cordially,



Elvira Clain-Stefanelli  
Executive Director  
National Numismatic Collection

P.S. We plan to keep the exhibit open until the end of August 1992.

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

June 15, 1988

Mr. Richard G. Doty  
National Numismatic Collections  
National Museum of American History  
Smithsonian Institution  
Washington, D. C. 20560

Dear Dick:

I enclose herewith a fully revised text of my article entitled "The Promotion and Suppression of Hard Times Tokens." It consists of 22 pages including footnotes.

Please cancel the text of the old article except for the plate of four coin faces which I sent earlier and is now in Belgium at your printers.

I will send within a few days the second plate which will need enlargement to the size of the finished page. The first plate I sent will probably have to be reduced to page size.

Cordially

Eric P. Newman

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

June 23, 1988

Mr. Richard G. Doty, Curator  
National Numismatic Collections  
National Museum of American History  
Smithsonian Institution  
Washington, D. C. 20560

Dear Dick:

I am pleased to enclose plate #2 for my article entitled "The Promotion and Suppression of Hard Times Tokens". This can be enlarged at the time the size of the image is determined.

Please return both plates to me after they have been appropriately used.

Cordially,



Eric P. Newman

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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

ADDRESS ONLY  
THE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

April 29, 1948.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,  
c/o Edison Brothers,  
Washington and Fourth Streets,  
St. Louis, Missouri.

Dear Eric:

Having a money problem (strictly historical) we are turning to you for advice.

We are preparing exhibits for the museum at Guilford Courthouse National Military Park in North Carolina. The museum will tell the story of this Revolutionary battle, which was fought in March, 1781. One case will deal with the life of Nathaniel Greene, the commander of the American forces in the battle. Since one of his major contributions to the cause was his services as Quartermaster General of the Continental Army, we want to call attention to that phase of his career. Paying for army supplies was a major problem, so we believe that a small display of some of the notes and coins that were current during his period of service would be appropriate and interesting.

We have the following items on hand;

Current money of Virginia, Twelve Shillings and Sixpence,  
Pursuant to Ordinance of Convention passed May 6, 1776.

Continental Currency, Fifty Dollars, according to a  
Resolution passed by Congress at Philadelphia,  
September 26th, 1778. (seal depicts a stepped pyramid)

Continental Currency, Eight Dollars (seal depicts harp)

North Carolina Currency, Five Dollars, agreeable to an Act  
of Assembly passed at Hillsborough the 8th Day of August,  
1778 (Death to Counterfeit).

Copper Coin, c. 1-1/8" in diameter, Georgius II, Rex,  
with profile bust; reverse corroded beyond recognition.

Copper coin, c. 1-1/8" in diameter, Georgius III - , with profile bust; both faces of coin worn almost smooth.

Copper coin, c. 1" in diameter, Georgius III et Charlotta, Rex et Regina, apparently double profile bust; reverse marked at bottom Dir. Auspicius, MDCCLX; both sides chipped, pitted and worn.

What we wish to know is the appropriateness of these items for our purpose and, if they are, any information that would help in labeling them correctly and interestingly; also suggestions as to other pieces that would be particularly representative of Revolutionary finance. If you recommend any additions or replacements, would you also suggest a few reliable dealers. We have some funds available for purchasing specimens for Guilford.

Any suggestions that you find it convenient to give us will be appreciated. Your help in the past has been most effective and welcome, and we surely do not wish to impose on you.

Sincerely yours,

*Ralph H. Lewis*

Ralph H. Lewis



May 6, 1948

Mr. Ralph H. Lewis  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Ralph:

Thank you for your letter of April 29, 1948, inquiring as to miscellaneous numismatic items which you have under consideration for display in the Guilford Courthouse National Military Park.

The first four Colonial paper money items which you listed in your letter as being on hand would be satisfactory exhibits, although I believe you should have many more, especially from North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, as the southern campaigns worked through this area.

As to the coins you have, there is no way of giving you the exact information as to what particular English items they are without seeing them. They may be English half pence, Irish half pence, American imitations of either, or British imitations of either. If they were found in or around the site I definitely believe they should be exhibited and completely described. If you would like to send them to me for identification I will be glad to give you the full details on them.

I will be glad to secure for you from the local dealers and from my own duplicates any additional items you might wish for exhibition. If you have \$25.00 or \$50.00 to spend, I believe we could get a very nice display together.

As soon as we decide upon what coins and paper money are to be displayed and how much space you want to devote to them, I shall be very happy to help you with the labeling.

Sincerely yours,

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UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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Washington 25, D. C.

ADDRESS ONLY

THE DIRECTOR, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

May 18, 1948.

Mr. Eric P. Newman,  
Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Avenue,  
St. Louis 2, Missouri.

Dear Eric:

Thanks for your kind offer of help. The three coins from Guilford Courthouse are enclosed for identification. We are not at all sure that they were found near the battlefield, but presumably they came from the general vicinity. How would you advise us to clean them for exhibition?

The space available for the numismatic exhibit at Guilford Courthouse should not exceed two square feet, as nearly as we can estimate it now. This will permit the display of 15-20 specimens with brief labels, although fewer could be spaced to look well.

We should be glad to issue you a Government Purchase Order accompanied by a voucher all filled out for signature and return, to cover the cost of additional specimens chosen by you as appropriate. This would be the most expeditious and least vexatious way that the purchase could be handled, but we would need an itemized statement of the cost of the individual specimens in order to prepare the papers at this end for you. The top limit ought to be \$30.

Your assistance in the drafting of label copy also will be much appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

*Ralph H. Lewis*

Ralph H. Lewis.

Enclosures 883.



July 8, 1948

Mr. Ralph H. Lewis  
National Park Service  
Department of the Interior  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Lewis:

I regret that I have been so neglectful of your letter of May 18, 1948, but I am limited in the time I can devote to my hobby.

In view of the fact that you wish only a small exhibit, I am enclosing herewith the following items which, I believe, will be good additions to the group you now have on hand:

Georgia 10 shillings, 1776	\$ 10.00
Delaware 20 shillings, 1759 (printed by Ben Franklin, as noted on the back)	5.00
N. Carolina \$8.00, 1776	3.50
N. Carolina 5 shillings, 1771	3.00
Pennsylvania 15 shillings, 1773	1.25
Delaware 6 shillings, 1776	1.50
S. Carolina 3 shillings, 9 pence, 1778	5.00
S. Carolina 2 shillings, 6 pence, 1778	5.00
Continental currency 1/3 dollar, 1776	1.50
Continental currency 2/3 dollar, 1776	1.50
Continental currency \$6.00, 1776	1.50
Continental currency \$3.00, 1776	1.50
1723 Woods half penny, originally made for Ireland but shipped to America for circulation	.75
1773 Virginia half penny	1.50

All of the above items might well have been in the pockets of those engaged on the battlefield. The total list price on these is a little over \$42.00 and I think a fair cash price would be about \$25.00.

I am returning the three coins you sent me.

Referring to your letter of April 29, 1948, I can mention that the first coin is a genuine George II half penny of the standard type, many of which circulated in the American colonies until

Page #2  
Mr. Ralph H. Lewis

July 8, 1948

1789. The George III half penny is dated 1775 and is an imitation half penny made by the token makers of England who found it profitable to coin copper to resemble the Government's half pennies and to put those into circulation. The price of copper was low at that time and there were no counterfeiting laws as to copper coins. The third item is merely a medal and not a coin, but might well have circulated for a coin for copper content only.

Do not fail to note the motto attributed to Benjamin Franklin on the continental currency, which reads: "Time flies, so mind your business." Part of this is in Latin, part in English, and part in picture.

I hope I have not delayed you, and if there is any further information you require, do not hesitate to call on me.

Sincerely yours,

EPNewman/me

UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
WASHINGTON

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Museum Laboratory  
July 14, 1948

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
% Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
315 Washington Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri

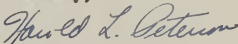
Dear Mr. Newman:

In the absence of Mr. Lewis, who is away on leave, I should like to take this opportunity to write you and thank you very much for your kind and generous assistance to us in working up our monetary display for Guålford Courthouse.

The specimens which you selected arrived safely at the Laboratory yesterday, and I have passed your list and letter over to the purchasing clerk so that he can send a purchase order off to you as soon as possible.

Again, we are sincerely grateful for your kind cooperation in this matter.

Sincerely,



Harold L. Peterson  
Museum Curator

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To: National Park Service  
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Seller: Eric P. Newman  
c/o Edison Brothers Stores, Inc.  
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1773 Virginia half penny

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Eric P. Newman



March 4, 1970

Mr. Eric P. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir;

I am enclosing a letter I received from Mr. Kenneth E. Bressett of the Western Publishing Company. I had written them asking as to where they acquired the picture of the Nova Constellatio "Mark" as shown on page 36 of the book published by them. The book is, "A Guide Book of United States Coins" by R.S. Yeoman.

I have such a coin and have gone to some expense to find out more about it. The coin was found in some fill sand that was being hauled into the building site of a new shopping center. The coin is identical to the one in the book as to size and every detail. Being listed unique I was curious to find out the location of it.

I wrote to the Smithsonian Institute Numismatic department and Dr. V-Clain Stephanelli the curator there informed me that the coin is preserved in a collection at the John Hopkins University.

In July of '69 I went to Baltimore and traced down the unique coin. Dr. Freeman showed me the unique Mark along with the Quint and Wit they have there and told me the history of the coins.

Mr. Bressett states in his letter that the coin belonged to James W. Ellsworth, according to Dr. Freeman the coin belonged to a Mr. Garrett who at one time was president of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad and at the time of his death his home and all artifacts were bequeathed to John Hopkins. I saw the coins at his former estate which is several miles from the university.

Now the thing that has been puzzling me since I saw the coin in Baltimore is, why is the coin in the afore mentioned book like the coin I possess, but not like the one at the Garrett house? The supposedly unique coin is more like a medallion, about the size of an ordinary half-dollar.

In my conversation with Dr. Freeman, her remarks about my coin has led me to believe the coin I have could be authentic. She said, it is not an electrotype and also that it is not a recent production. Several people have told me that it is a struck coin. It also contains a low grade of silver according to an Oklahoma City jeweler.

Should you ever be in the Oklahoma City area I would certainly like to have your opinion on this coin.



IF you have any history pertaining to this coin ,or can answer my question concerning the difference in sizes of the coin shown in the the book and the unique one, or know any coin books that picture the coin that is at the Barrett house I would certainly appreciate hearing from you.

Sincerely,

*Mrs. Rita Navarre*

Mrs. Rita Navarre  
Rte 2 Box 48  
Harrah, Oklahoma 73045

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

March 10, 1970

Mrs. Rita Navarre  
Route 2, Box 48  
Harrah, Oklahoma 73045

Dear Mrs. Navarre:

You certainly have undertaken much research with respect to the Nova Constellatio mark which you are studying. If your piece is a low grade of silver, it is a copy. There are a substantial number of different kinds of copies of different sizes.

The pictures of the Johns Hopkins coins are in the Papers of Thomas Jefferson. I do not have the volume number at my fingertips but it can be readily located in the section on the 1783 era.

As you fully realize, I am in no position to give an opinion on the coin without seeing it. I assume it does not have an ornamented edge which the piece at Johns Hopkins does.

There is no inconsistency with respect to the ownership of the Johns Hopkins coin as Ellsworth was the prior owner and Garrett the subsequent owner.

I hope I have been helpful.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
EDUCATION SOCIETY

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P.S. The letter from the Western Publishing Company is returned herewith.

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R. J. Navarre

Phone GI 4-2659

ROUTE 2, BOX 48  
HARRAH, OKLAHOMA

August 25, 1971

Eric P. Newman  
6450 Cecil Avenue  
St. Louis, Missouri

Dear Sir;

I have corresponded with several authorities concerning a coin I own, and have been referred to you as you will note in the letter I am enclosing from Western Publishing Co.

The coin is identical to the Nova Constellatio Mark pictured on page 36 of R.S. Yeomans, "A Guide Book of United States Coins".

Dr. Freeman, of the numismatics department at John Hopkins University looked at the coin and also allowed me to view coins she has there. Her comment concerning the coin was, "It is not a recent production, nor is it an electrotype".

After viewing the coins at the Evergreen House in Baltimore I realized immediately that the Mark I have was not like the one preserved there. After I returned home I realized that my coin is identical to the picture in the afore mentioned book, but the coin she has is not, that is why I wrote to the publishers of the book asking for information as to where they acquired their picture.

Dr. Freeman told me that you are the owner of the other Bit and possibly you could give me some information about my coin.

I would like to request an appointment at your convenience to show this coin to you. If it can be arranged please notify me as to the time and address.

Yours truly,

*Rita Navarre*

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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

*6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri*

August 31, 1971

Ms. Rita Navarre  
Route 2, Box 81  
Harrah, Oklahoma 73045

Dear Mrs. Navarre:

Your inquiry with respect to the Nova Constellatio Mark which you have is at hand.

You previously wrote us on March 4, 1970 and we replied on March 10, 1970.

Without sending us a picture of the piece, its exact weight and its exact specific gravity, we think it would be a mistake to have you bring the coin to us. We therefore suggest that you send us the foregoing so that we may be helpful to you, in interpreting that information.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis 5, Missouri

September 14, 1971

Mrs. Rita Navarre  
Route 2, Box 81  
Harrah, Oklahoma 73045

Dear Mrs. Navarre:

Thank you for your promptness in obtaining for us the photographs and specific gravity measurement of your Nova Constellatio Mark.

The specific gravity of 7.45 indicates that the piece is not made of silver but is made of zinc, tin, copper, antimony, or other like metals customarily used for casts and eletrotypes of coins. All of the genuine coins of this type will exceed 10 in specific gravity. Therefore, it now becomes certain that your piece is not an original.

It is surprising that after all the effort you have devoted to this piece that such a fundamental fact has not been brought out.

We are sorry that things did not turn out better for you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC  
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## WESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

Mr. R. J. Navarre  
Route 2, Box 48  
Harrah, Oklahoma 73045

Dear Mr. Navarre:

We have your recent letter inquiring about the photograph of the Nova Constellatio Mark on page 36 of the Guide Book.

The photograph that we show was copied from Plate VIII, Vol. 1 in Sylvester S. Crosby's Early Coins of America. The coin was at one time in the collection of the Honorable James W. Ellsworth, and it was my understanding that the coin is unique and subsequently went to the Johns Hopkins University numismatic collection.

I have high regard for Mrs. Freeman's opinion about life and I am at a loss to even guess what your piece might be. I will state, however, that there are many electrotypes of these patterns and some of them are highly deceptive. They were, I believe, made up for or by the above mentioned Mr. Crosby.

If you care to pursue the matter further, I would suggest that you contact the following person who, I believe, is more informed on this subject than anyone else.

Eric P. Newman  
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St. Louis, Missouri 63106

Sincerely,

WESTERN PUBLISHING COMPANY, INC.

Kenneth E. Bressett  
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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20560

September 25, 1969

Mr. R. J. Navarre  
Route 2, Box 48  
Harrah, Oklahoma 73045

Dear Mr. Navarre:

I am pleased to acknowledge your letter of September 22nd. Our Curator, Dr. V. Clain-Stefanelli, is currently on detail in Europe and will not return until the end of October.

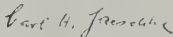
S. S. Crosby in his Early American Coins, Boston, 1875, tells us that the Nova Constellatio patterns were designed by Benjamin Dudley as examples of Gouverneur Morris' ideas for a decimal coinage system.

The first U.S. Mint was not authorized until the Mint Act of April 2, 1792. You may be interested in referring to Don Taxay's The U. S. Mint and Coinage, New York, 1966.

The address of Mr. R. S. Yeoman, the author of A Guide Book of United States Coins is Whitman Publishing Company, 1220 Mound Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin 53404.

You may also wish to get in touch with Mr. Richard Picker, P.O. Box 366, Albertson, Long Island, New York, New York 11507, who is a specialist in the Colonial series.

Sincerely yours,



Carl H. Jaeschke  
Official in Charge  
Division of Numismatics